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SUBJECT: FONMIN SAUVAGNARGUES ON FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY

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1. BEGIN SUMMARY: AFP REPORTS THAT FRENCH FONMIN

SAUVAGNARGUES BRIEFED THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON JULY 4 REGARDING THE GENERAL OUTLINES OF FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY. HE SAID THAT THE FOREIGN POLICY OF FRANCE WILL BE MARKED BY THE FIRMNESS AND AMBITION OF ITS DESIGNS AND THE FLEXIBILITY OF ITS CONDUCT. FOLLOWING ARE THE KEY ITEMS AS REPORTED BY AFP: END SUMMARY

2. EUROPE - FRANCE WISHES TO PURSUE THE CONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE WITHIN THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION OF 1980. ITS FIRST PRIORITY WILL BE TO OPPOSE THE DIS-INTEGRATION OF THE COMMON MARKET. IN THIS REGARD, IT WILL BE NECESSARY ABOVE ALL ELSE TO SEEK A SOLUTION TO THE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WHICH CONFRONT THE COMMUNITY. FRANCE INTENDS TO IMPROVE THE WORKING PROCEDURES WITHIN THE EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND TO PURSUE THE QUESTION OF ENERGY, WHICH IS AT THE CENTER OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF THE COMMUNITY. GISCARD INTENDS TO CONVENE A EUROPEAN SUMMIT TOWARD THE END OF 1974 IF THIS IS AGREEABLE WITH FRANCE'S EC PARTNERS AND IF THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATION WILL PERMIT IT.

3. NATO - THE NEW NATO DECLARATION HAS SETTLED THE ATLANTIC DISAGREEMENT AND CONSTITUTES A BALANCED TEXT WHICH DOES NOT GO BEYOND THE ENGAGEMENTS ASSUMED UNDER THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY. THE SEPARATE DETERRENT VALUE OF THE FRENCH NUCLEAR FORCE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE DECLARATION. THE QUESTION OF CONSULTATIONS WITHIN THE ALLIANCE HAS BEEN SETTLED SATISFACTORILY. THESE CONSULTATIONS DO NOT HAVE AN OBLIGATORY CHARACTER. FRANCE WILL REMAIN A MEMBER OF THE ALLIANCE AND DOES NOT INTEND TO RE-ENTER NATO'S INTEGRATED MILITARY STRUCTURE.

4. EUROGROUP - ARMAMENT COOPERATION MUST BE EUROPEAN AND DOES NOT POSE ITSELF IN TERMS OF PARTICIPATION OR NONPARTICIPATION IN THE EUROGROUP.

5. CSCE - IN HOPING FOR BALANCED RESULTS, SAUVAGNARGUES EXPECTS AT LEAST SOME PROGRESS IN CSCE.

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6. EAST-WEST RELATIONS - IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE THE POLICY OF DETENTE, BUT IT IS NECESSARY TO RECOGNIZE THAT DEFENSE PROBLEMS ARE COMPLEMENTARY TO IT.

7. EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE - THE EUROPEANS ARE AWAITING THE RESPONSE FROM THE ARAB COUNTRIES TO THEIR OFFER OF DISCUSSION AND WITH REGARD TO THE PROCEDURES TO BE

FOLLOWED FOR CARRYING OUT THE DIALOGUE. THE OBJECT OF THIS MEETING WOULD BE TO DEVELOP ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE ARAB COUNTRIES. BECAUSE OF THIS, IT WOULD ASSUME AN IMPORTANCE IN POLITICAL TERMS.

8. ENERGY - THE EC SHOULD DEFINE ITS POSITION ON ENERGY. FOR FRANCE EVERYTHING THAT IS DONE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE OECD IS ACCEPTABLE.

9. FRANCE WILL DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND SELF DETERMINATION.

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